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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a non-English patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c), which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of Provisional Application No. 60/393,734 and 60/424,700 filed on July 8, 2002 and November 8, 2002. An English translation will follow within the required time as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.52(d).

Inventor(s): Nobuyuki KATSUDA; Mikio YABUTA

For: AIR BAG APPARATUS

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of twenty (20) pages
- Eight (8) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- Applicant claims the right of priority based on Application No(s). 2002-189555 and 2002-320686 filed in Japan on June 28, 2002 and November 5, 2002.
 - Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
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- Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:

--This nonprovisional application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) on U.S. Provisional Application No(s). 60/393,734 and 60/424,700 filed on July 8, 2002 and November 8, 2002 and under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a) on Patent Application No(s). 2002-189555 and 2002-320686 filed in Japan on June 28, 2002 and November 5, 2002, which is/are herein incorporated by reference.--

- Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow

- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

- Preliminary Amendment

- Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76

- Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449, and reference(s)

- Other: _____

- Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee

- Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

- Provisional application filed in English:

YES NO

If "NO," an English translation with a Statement of Accuracy:

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- The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.
- Non-English specification - \$130.00 surcharge.
- A check in the amount of \$1,160.00 to cover the filing fee, and surcharge (if applicable), is enclosed.
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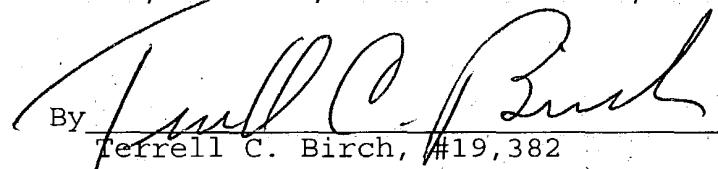
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